

LGIT Annual Meeting-November 20, 2008

Session: Communities Going Green Too

Confirmed Speakers: Bios and Information

1. Name: Bert Henderson, M. Ed.
Title: Director of Education
Affiliation: Green Real Estate Education
Bio: Bert Henderson is a consultant and instructor with Green Real Estate Education (GREE). He is a retired Energy Extension Faculty associated with Florida Energy Extension Service and the Program for Resource Efficient Communities at the University of Florida. He was responsible for marketing and presenting professional adult education programs focused to the building industry and allied fields in energy conservation, sustainable construction, and hurricane and emergency preparedness. Bert successfully developed local business, industry, and government agency partnerships in Central Florida for UF Extension programming.

2. Name: Maria Broadbent (co-presenter)
Title: Environmental Program Coordinator
Affiliation: City of Annapolis, MD
Maria works for the City of Annapolis, Department of Neighborhood and Environmental Programs, as their Environmental Program Coordinator. Before coming to Annapolis, Maria worked for the City of Rockville as a Neighborhood Resources Coordinator. She has worked for many years on municipal environmental programs for the City of Newport, Rhode Island and in central Maine. She holds an MPA from the University of Rhode Island and Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science from Unity College in Maine. Maria is a native of Beltsville, Maryland.

3. Name: Rob Savidge (co-presenter)
Title: Sustainability Coordinator
Affiliation: City of Annapolis
Bio: Rob Savidge is a sustainability specialist with experience consulting local governments, businesses, and organizations on how they can become more environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable. He is currently working for Straughan Environmental Services, providing services for the City of Annapolis. He has conducted a greenhouse gas emissions inventory for the city, and is helping to put together a sustainability program that will develop a community action plan. In Howard County, he was a consultant for the county's first project taking advantage of their green building checklist, a green workforce housing site. When he was a student at Washington College, he wrote his thesis on Campus Ecology: How to create a green campus. As a scientist, he has extensive experience with Maryland's Chesapeake Bay eco-systems. His experience includes undertaking a variety of studies for public and private

clients, including stream surveys, forest stand delineations, wetland delineations, habitat management plans, and natural resource inventories.

4. Name: Kathy McKenney

Title: Historic Planner/Preservation Coordinator

Affiliation: City of Cumberland, MD

Bio: A lifelong resident of Cumberland, Kathy received her undergraduate degree in History at Frostburg State University and her graduate degree in History, with a concentration in nineteenth century United States History, from West Virginia University. In 1997, she became the City of Cumberland's first Historic Planner/Preservation Coordinator. Combined with her duties as staff to the Cumberland Historic Preservation Commission, Kathy has been involved in grant writing for the City and has assisted in the development and implementation of the Cumberland Community Legacy Plan of Action, Downtown Design and Development Plan and the Virginia Avenue Corridor Redevelopment Plan. She was the 2006 recipient of the Roland B. Sweitzer Maryland Municipal League Municipal Employee of the Year Award.

Session Organizers/Moderators:

Vicky Carrasco, Coastal Communities Specialist, University of Maryland Sea Grant Extension

Sasha Land, Coastal Training Program Coordinator, Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve-MD